## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

RICHARD KLEIN,

Case No. C-1-01-794 Petitioner.

Judge Beckwith v.

HAROLD CARTER, WARDEN, **Magistrate Judge Black** 

Respondent.

## RESPONDENT'S MEMORANDUM OPPOSING PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR **DEFAULT JUDGMENT**

Petitioner has filed a motion for default judgment. His motion should be denied because there is no basis on which to issue a default judgment. Respondent is not a party who has failed to plead or otherwise defend as provided by the rules. See Civ.R.55(a).

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was mailed by regular, first-class mail to Richard Klein, #350-022, Ross Correctional Institution, P. O. Box 7010, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004.

S/Diane Mallory